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SUBJECT: BRIEFING PAPERS FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S MEETING WITH
PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA

1. THERE FOLLOWS A LIST OF PAPERS WHICH THE EMBASSY
IS PREPARED TO SUBMIT TELEGRAPHICALLY TO ASSIST YOU
IN PREPARING BRIEFING PAPERS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S
MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA. WE SHALL BEGIN
WORK ON THESE IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOU HAVE INFORMED
US WHICH OF THESE PAPERS YOU WANT; PLEASE DO NOT
HESITATE TO SUGGEST ANY OTHER PAPERS WHICH WE MIGHT
WORK ON. WE SHALL SEND THESE PAPERS IN AS THEY ARE
COMPLETED. YOU MAY WISH THEREFORE TO INDICATE WHICH
SHOULD BE GIVEN PRIORITY ATTENTION.

2. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE PAPERS ARE OF TWO TYPES:
GROUP I - BACKGROUND PAPERS, PROVIDING A SUMMARY
DESCRIPTION/ANALYSIS OF THE CURRENT SITUATION ON EACH
SUBJECT; GROUP II - ISSUE ORIENTED PAPERS, IN WHICH
WE MAY SUGGEST PARTICULAR POINTS OF EMPHASIS OR LINES
OF APPROACH. IN BOTH CASES, WE WILL TRY TO KEEP THE
INDIVIDUAL PAPERS TO NO MORE THAN TWO SINGLE-SPACED
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PAGES. IF YOU HAVE ANY THOUGHTS AS TO FORMAT OR
CONTENT, LET US HAVE THEM SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THESE
PAPERS AS READILY USEFUL TO YOU AS POSSIBLE. A FINAL
THOUGHT, I PRESUME IT WOULD BE BEST TO SEND THESE
PAPERS IN STADIS.

3. GROUP I - BACKGROUND PAPERS

FUKUDA: A POLITICAL AND PERSONAL PROFILE
THE DOMESTIC POLITICAL SETTING
JAPANESE RELATIONS WITH CHINA AND THE SOVIET UNION.
(CENTERING ON FUKUDA'S APPROACH AND PROSPECTS)
JAPAN'S POLICY TOWARD SOUTHEAST ASIA
PROSPECTS FOR FUKUDA'S ECONOMIC STIMULUS POLICIES
JAPAN AND NORTH/SOUTH RELATIONS
(TO INCLUDE A GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF
JAPAN'S ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
WITH SPECIFIC TREATMENT OF EGYPT, ZIMBABWE
AND PORTUGAL)

4. GROUP II - ISSUE-ORIENTED PAPERS
THE U.S. SECURITY TREATY RELATIONSHIP
(WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE PROSPECTS
FOR A QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENT FOR JAPAN'S
SELF-DEFENSE CAPABILITIES AND THE LABOR
COST-SHARING PROBLEM)
JAPAN'S ATTITUDES TOWARD DISARMAMENT
JAPAN AND TROOP REDUCTION IN THE ROK
(WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO DEVELOPMENTS
SINCE MONDALE VISIT)
NUCLEAR REPROCESSING AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS
UN UNIVERSITY

5. WE WOULD EXPECT THAT YOUR BRIEFING MATERIALS WILL
INCLUDE PAPERS ON MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL TRADE
PROBLEMS, CIVIL AVIATION AND FISHERIES. THESE ISSUES WERE
COVERED EXTENSIVELY IN THE BRIEFING PAPERS PREPARED
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FOR VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE AND YOU SEEM TO HAVE
SUFFICIENT MATERIAL ON HAND. IF, HOWEVER, WE CAN BE
OF ANY HELP ON THESE MATTERS LET US KNOW. WE ALSO
CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY OF BRIEFING PAPERS ON
JAPANESE ENERGY AND RESOURCE PROSPECTS AS WELL AS ON
JAPAN AND THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE. THEY DID
NOT SEEM TO US TO BE OF HIGH PRIORITY, HOWEVER, AND
SO WE DID NOT INCLUDE THEM IN THE ABOVE LIST.

6. FINALLY, IT WILL HELP IN PLANNING OUR WORK IF
YOU CAN GIVE US SOME REASONABLY DEFINITE DATE BY
WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE US COMPLETE OUR
SUBMISSIONS.
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